

Late Hon. John Bell, of Tennessee.
Death has recently chosen conspicuous marks. For more than fifty years John Bell was a public man in his native State, and its citizens never failed to show their entire confidence in his ability, his integrity and his patriotism. His public career is too well known to the people of the South to need comment from us. He was last prominently before our people as candidate for the Presidency of the United States in 1860. He was heartily in sympathy with the South during its struggle for independence; and since his defeat he has expressed his condemnation of the ruthless oppression which has been inflicted upon us all. Providence, however, permitted him to get a glimpse of the dawn of political freedom which is again breaking upon the long down-trodden freemen of the South. Our generation and those which will follow should not forget the statesmen of the nation, and in that list the name of John Bell will be honorably enrolled.

We hear the cry from Ohio Radicals, "the peril of the hour is the people's ticket." Plainly they see in this action of the people their inevitable doom. The people have too long been led, too often been deceived by the false pretences of Radical politicians, to continue allegiance to a party with no principle for its basis but power and the self office. When before had any party the hardihood to declare that in this republic, in the loyal State of Ohio, the great rulers, the people themselves, imperiled the welfare of the country? True, the people are forsaking the vicious, venal and weak leaders who now rule and ruin, but the people repudiate those leaders, not for the advancement of another party, nor the profferment of other men, but for the salvation of free institutions and the liberty of the people themselves. So long has the Radical party, by secret leagues, strong oaths, and the hand of power, ruled the nation and enslaved individuals, that when freemen refuse longer to submit to such oppressions, the mouth-piece of this party, a corrupt and hireling press, have the audacity to charge the people with imperiling the nation. No; in the hands of the people the safety of the nation will be secure; but these minions of authority cry an alarm at the destruction which they see rolling over them and their party of power and spoils. Three weeks will rapidly pass, and the great commonwealths of Ohio and Pennsylvania will decide whether corruption shall remain in the representation of their home governments and of that of the nation. The pilgrimage of the President through the mountains of Pennsylvania, and the parade of Gov. Leary at the fiasco of Gettysburg battle field, will not delude the voters of the Keystone State. The campaign of Commissioner Delano, with his distribution of offices, and manipulation of whiskey rings in Ohio, will have but little effect upon the thoroughly aroused citizens of the first of the Western States. The people have said there shall be change, that honesty and capability shall make and administer the laws under which freemen can live and prosper. Military pagantry and despotic power are not made to enslave and control the free citizens of a free republic. They are the instruments which dazzle and oppress the subjects of tyranny. The Radical party denies the liberty of thought and opinion indispensable to the citizen who exercises the great right of the ballot. It exacts servile obedience in will and in act, and requires a monied consideration for the privilege of being its paid slave. Yes, the "great peril to the Radical party" is the "People's Ticket," and the great power which will grind to dust this Radical party will be the voice and votes of the deceived, outraged and oppressed people.

What are we drifting? The moral machinery of society seems as badly out of joint as is the political. The papers of New York come to us with accounts of a new play, "Fenouos," by Bourcault, which, having had a great and money-making "run" in England, was rapidly brought there, and made its debut in that Metropolis with every prospect of the most flattering and paying success. We shall not criticize the author who writes, as he declares, for money, not the theatre manager, who brings out the play in the finest conceivable form to make it pay, but we shall handle, as they deserve, the community which applauds the prostitution of female chastity, and witnesses its worst consequences with a delight which is fed by the most violent passions of our nature, and which can gather satisfaction in nothing less than enjoying in reality what is witnessed upon the stage. Virtue, honor, chastity, cannot pay on the boards of New York theatres, but vice, depravity and lasciviousness are greeted with a hurrah of welcome and receive showers of greenbacks. New York is bold enough to exhibit its own shamelessness in every grade of Society, and New York journals praise the sagacity of the play writer, the shrewdness of the play manager, and the independence of its men and women in disregarding the decencies of life and in wallowing in the luxuries of the most lascivious vice. Not a voice is raised to subdue the progress of this blighting evil. Bourcault justifies himself because it pleases and pays; the journals justify him because he has had keenness of sight to discover the tastes of those for whom he caters, and society, having nothing to dread from its own public opinion, runs riot in its own shame and disgrace. Let us here thank God that we have not lost virtue, discarded propriety, ignored morality, and scoffed religion till New York is our pattern. Rise, good and wise men, join them, virtuous and chaste women, we, journalists of the South, all now raise a barrier which shall keep back forever this wave of demoralizing ruin which has engulfed society in New York. And lastly, we appeal to the holy Churches of our land not to stand as white sepulchres and

whining hypocrites, but be ye foremost in saving what God has entrusted to your care.
From a special dispatch from Washington to the New York Times, the indication is given that Sumner will try to anticipate action on the part of the administration in relation to reorganizing the belligerent rights of the Catholics. It has been asserted that the President has all the time desired to extend this recognition, and that he was supported by the late Secretary Ravlins, but that he had "till now yielded to the New England influence in the Cabinet and simply watched events, hoping for some favorable turn of affairs to justify him in disregarding the opinion of a majority of his constitutional advisers. We do not feel that it is our duty to champion Gen. Grant in this fight of opinion, but we shall animadvert upon the former course of our country towards new nationalities, and also call to mind the signal service the United Colonies received from the recognition of their rights by France. Mr. Sumner, by urging the United States Government not to show its sympathy for Cuba by withholding an act of justice, would cause this great nation to blacken its honorable record when it offered to the struggling colonies of Spain in South America the hand of fellowship, when we hailed with triumphant gladness the Republic of Mexico, and when we sent our greetings of good will and God speed to Greece in her successful efforts against Turkey. And what excuse does Mr. Sumner offer for this pusillanimous course which he would have the United States pursue? One worthy of him who caused to be slaughtered hordes of his fellow-countrymen to avenge an insult to himself which his cowardly heart shrunk from resenting in person. He appeals to the chivalric sentiment of the nation to stifle such generous and just emotions, that we may hereafter point to our own dishonor, and claim a few millions of dollars to soothe the pain of a wound inflicted by the stab of his craven hand.

England is old enough, wise enough, and brave enough to understand her duties, to provide for her necessities, take care of her own morals, and to protect her honor; and the United States will be wise and courageous enough to select some other mentor for morals and manliness than what is embodied in the Senator from Massachusetts.

The Way the Money Goes.
In order to show our readers how the people's money is squandered, we extract the following from the Raleigh *Sentinel* of the 13th instant. It may be as well for the people to remember this matter:
TEXT BOOKS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS—
ANOTHER PENITENTIARY SWindle.
Our readers have noticed, perhaps, the list of Text Books recently adopted by the Board of Education, for the use of the Public Schools. Agents of a number of Publishers have for weeks past been canvassing before the Board the merits of the several series of School Books published by the Houses they respectively represented. To the disgust and surprise of intelligent people everywhere, the National Series of Books used herebefore almost exclusively by the negro schools, was adopted with one or two trivial exceptions. We have come into possession of a few pertinent facts in relation to this latest iniquity of the powers that be. We propose to ventilate a few of these in this issue, leaving extended comment for the future.

The facts as furnished us are these:—The *negro* schools, the most popular series in this section, were shown to be in at least three-fourths of the white schools in the State. They were offered to the Board for introductory purposes at one half the retail prices. In case of their adoption the publishers were to donate ten thousand dollars worth of text books for distribution among the indigent children of the State. The *Readers* published by A. S. Barnes & Co., and used in scarcely any schools outside of the colored ones, were adopted at ten per cent. advance on their retail prices. The Board agreed then to pay Barnes ten per cent. more than was asked by the publishers of *Davies* Arithmetic, and to receive the State of the benefits of the liberal donation of ten thousand dollars.

The Agent of D. Appleton & Co., offered the Board Quackenbos' Arithmetics, acknowledged by all competent Teachers as vastly superior to *Davies*, and pronounced by Bankers and business men of this city, the best of the kind. The Board, however, in their discussion of commercial matters, to any arithmetics they ever saw, at prices largely below those of *Davies* and yet they adopted *Davies*. We applied to Mr. Connor for the figures, and he handed us the following:
DAVIES' ARITHMETICS.—(Adopted by the Board.)
Davies' Primary, 14 cents
" Elementary, 25 " "
" Intellectual, 23 " "
" Practical, 50 " "
QUACKENBOS' ARITHMETICS.—(As offered to the Board.)
Quackenbos' Primary, 10 cents
" Elementary, 20 " "
" Intellectual, 20 " "
" Practical, 50 " "
It will be seen that Quackenbos, would cost the pupil twenty-two cents per set less than *Davies* will cost them. The Board therefore compels the children of the State to pay the publishers of *Davies* Arithmetics for 100,000 sets, just twenty-two thousand dollars more than they would have had to pay the Appletons—had the Board adopted Quackenbos' Arithmetics.

Mr. Connor informs us also that he offered to exchange even a new Quackenbos, Arithmetic for every old and new copy of *Davies* that might be in the hands of the pupils. The Superintendent, however, scouted that proposition and declared the people did not want to go to the trouble of making an exchange; he, to save North Carolinians from trouble, compels their children to use inferior books, and to pay for this generous consideration tens of thousands of dollars into the pockets of the publishers. The docket left in the hands of the children to extend one hand with an old torn copy of *Davies*, and receive in the other a new and perfect copy of Quackenbos. Singular kindness, Mr. Ashley!

The Reconstructed Farmer.
This popular agricultural magazine for September has been received. Messrs. Thigpen and Dancy, Tarboro, Publishers. With each new number this excellent publication seems to increase in interest and value. The contents of that before us are varied, practical and of great benefit to the farmer, who will read them attentively. In the encouragement of our agricultural pursuits and in the development of the farmer of the South does our surest road to prosperity lay; and our agricultural magazines are important instruments in the accomplishment of this end.

RECKLESS STUPIDITY—A NEGRO QUIETLY SLEEPS ON A RAILROAD TRACK AND NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH.—The negro character in its native state has ever been regarded as stupidly reckless, though as individuals of the class a few higher in the scale of intelligence its trace grows fainter. But of all recklessness which stupidity overdeveloped the following stands pre-eminent:
Yesterday, about mid-day, as a locomotive from the W. & W. R. R. depot, with the Master of Transportation and several other officers, was crossing the trestle of the Railway Bridge Company, the engineer saw about 200 yards ahead, near what is known as Young's Canal, a dark object stretched across the track. Surmising correctly that it was a man, he blew the whistle to give the proper alarm, but still the object never moved. The locomotive was then traveling at the rate of about 18 miles an hour, and had decreased the original distance one half. With all the rapidity that he could exercise the engineer reversed the engine "gear" and closed the valve, and succeeded only in stopping the locomotive within about ten feet of the object. This was found to be a negro boy about 14 years of age, fast asleep on the track. And it is an unmistakable, positive fact that even after the locomotive was stopped, those on board had to get down and arouse the boy from his nap. It was ascertained after he had been set there to "mind birds" in the field, and, becoming sleepy, had laid down on the track for a nap, in the face of the fact that a train was liable to pass at any moment.

A Terrible Story of Alleged Incendiarism.
Our Northern exchanges contain most horrible accounts of the recent calamity in Pennsylvania. The Baltimore *Sun* of the 14th instant, says that for several days there have been rumors in regard to the cause of the terrible mining calamity at Avondale, Pennsylvania, almost too shocking for belief or repetition. In Hyde Park, where many of the lost belonged, it was openly asserted and widely believed that the fire was the result of design. A correspondent of the New York *Times* says the story is based on what he alleges is a fact, that the wooden funnel leading from the furnace to the bottom of the shaft had not been burned at all, and that the breach or cribbing dividing the shaft into two compartments at the bottom of the shaft had been merely charred and not destroyed. Other reporters state that the Welsh miners of Avondale had many enemies among others of their class, because they are always the last and most reluctant to engage in strikes, and that threats had been made against them on this account.

Important Figures for the People.
By the way of letting the people see what the Legislature did at its late session, we here give a statement of nearly all the appropriations made in the interests of the great "Railroad Ring." Such reckless profligacy on the part of a legislative body has no parallel in ancient or modern times. We ask the people to say what they think of these figures.
The Legislature appropriated money as follows, to wit:
1 For the Chatham Railroad Company, \$2,000,000
2 For the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, 7,000,000
3 For the Wilmington, Charlotte and Annapolis Railroad Company, 4,000,000
4 For the University Railroad Company, 300,000
5 For the Western Railroad Company, 1,500,000
6 For Oxford Branch of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company, 2,000,000
7 For Wilmington and Faison's Railroad and appendages, 2,700,000
8 For Atlanta, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad Company, 2,000,000
9 For North Western Railroad Company, 2,000,000
10 Turnpike Road from Monroe to Asheville and elsewhere, 115,000
11 Turnpike Road in Carteret and Cranston counties, 5,000
12 Roadway through the counties of Granville, Person, Caswell, Stokes and Surry, 2,000,000
13 Extension and Norfolk Railroad Company, 350,000
Aggregate, \$26,970,000

We got these figures from the acts of Assembly, and these are not all. We will add to them heretofore. This does not include the \$100,000 Penitentiary swindle. Just think of it, people of North Carolina! Twenty-six millions nine hundred and seventy thousand dollars appropriated in the interests of the "Railroad Ring," by which "carpet baggers" and a few others are to "carpet bag," while you groan and toil to pay this astounding sum. The bonds of the State are used, of course, to pay this debt, and they sell for about thirty cents in gold, so that this sum of bonds will produce, in cash, about \$8,990,000. Thus it is expected that the people of the State are to pay \$26,970,000 with interest on this sum, paid semi-annually, for \$8,990,000. Can a people prosper at that rate? O, shame where is thy blush! It is monstrous beyond expression! And yet North Carolinians sit still and let the rascals in power rob them thus! Is there no manly left in the people? Will they not arrest these infamous villainies? Of this sum of \$8,990,000 it is safe to say that a third of it goes to the "Ring." This will reduce the sum realized.

How much of this fraudulent debt the Supreme Court will invalidate we can't now tell. We will get more information in this behalf in a day or two.
"Who did this work?" "Carpet-baggers," "lied" men and the "Ring!"
Raleigh *Sentinel*.

The Goldsboro' Messenger of the 12th inst. says: The Fall term of Wayne Superior Court, Judge R. C. Thomas presiding, commenced in this town on Monday last. Quite a number of cases have been disposed of during the week, including the capital (rape) case which was tried yesterday. The session will continue during this week. The docket is a heavy one, and it is feared that all the business cannot be disposed of during the present term.

THE RIGHT MOVE.—We learn that a meeting of the citizens of Green county will soon take place at the Court House in Snow Hill, for the purpose of effecting a Railroad connection between the central portion of that county and the W. & W. R. R.—Goldsboro' *Messenger*.

WAYNE LODGE, A. Y. M.—At a regular meeting of this lodge on Monday evening last, held in the Odd Fellows Hall, the following officers were elected for the current Masonic year:
J. W. Glick, W. Master.
Wm. Robinson, S. Warden.
W. E. Dulin, J. Warden.
E. W. Adams, Treasurer.
D. A. Spivey, Secretary.
John Mayhew, Tyler.
Goldsboro' *Messenger*, 12th.

For the Journal.
Messrs. Editors:—The Raleigh *Standard*, in its issue of 14th inst., comments upon my letter in reference to Chinese immigration, and also says: "the movement is intended to supersede the high priced labor of the Christian with the cheaper labor of the Pagan. It is a direct attack upon every working man in the country. It is an effort upon the part of capitalists to control the price of labor by overpowering the working men. If this scheme prevails, what will be its results? That the country will be flooded with Chinese who will be contented to work at prices which an American could not work and support himself and family. That as a necessary consequence the working men, whose only fault is that they are Americans and Christians, will be compelled to leave their trades or let themselves and families starve. Capital always seeks to force down the price of labor. Capital will always employ the cheapest labor without regarding other circumstances. Hence, every working man knows that if the low priced Chinese labor is brought into competition with the higher priced civilized labor, the Chinese labor will be used by the capitalists and the American laborers, white and black, can starve. We are on the side of the working man every time, and shall oppose those who wish to rob labor of its honest reward, and those who are willing to oppress the workingman for the sake of the almighty dollar."

This is the line of argument (?) to have been expected from the opponents of Chinese immigration, and which in substance was forewarned in my last letter. The opposition and the argument will doubtless be continued with great violence and bitterness, and timid men and others will regret that the issue had been made, because in their fear or wise conceit about "policy," they think it inexpedient, premature, unnecessary, &c. From this view of the case, however, I respectfully beg leave to dissent, for the reason that this is no question of mere expediency or policy, but is one of principle and of such vital importance, that upon its solution hangs the fate of North Carolina and of the South, and now is the proper time to discuss it, because being about to form new parties, we will be more untrammelled than in the past, and we can hope to win, and because, too, it is a matter that demands immediate action.

It seems to be admitted, then, that Chinese labor will be cheap in price, abundant in quantity and good in quality; that the labor now in the South is deficient in both quality and quantity; that we have no prospect of the increase of European immigration from the Northwest to the Southern States. It will also be admitted that under all circumstances a State must have more labor than is sufficient to till its soil and that is engaged therein; that there must be other laborers to engage in the mechanic and manufacturing arts, to construct public works and works of internal improvement, so-called, to engage in mining, merchandise, trading, &c., &c. All of which things must be done at the same time that the land is cultivated to its utmost capacity or the resources of the State will not be fully developed and utilized. It must be admitted also that in the present future we can hope to win, and because, too, it is a matter that demands immediate action.

Everybody knows that the farm laborers among the negroes are finding out that their employers who are both willing and able to assist a faithful employee, are better friends in time of need than professed politicians, who, as a general rule, have no need for the services of their colored friends except on election days. The arrival of a few Chinese, giving assurance that there are plenty more coming after, will destroy any lingering impression the negroes may have that they are masters of the situation, and will quicken their apprehensions so that they will at once see the inexpediency of opposing the whites simply because they are white. We will not, therefore, endanger our influence, present or prospective, with the negroes, by advocating the voluntary immigration of the Chinese and the State, or by even suggesting that the lands generally of the State should be cultivated and productive, even though the negroes should continue to vote the Radical ticket, rather than for them to be idle and unproductive, even though the negroes should vote the Conservative ticket, and even though this day, as a friend of the negro, I would raise with them when a boy. Indeed I feel great pity for them. Their history is written, their race doomed to destruction. The report of Gen. Howard showed a frightful mortality among them. It is believed that every physician who has expressed an opinion concurs with Dr. Norr in thinking that the number of negro children being reared, owing to the unnatural indifference of negro mothers to their offspring, their unwillingness to undergo the pain and sickness attendant upon childbirth, their unwillingness to bear the burden of the care of infants and their habits of life generally, bears no proportion to the number of deaths that the annihilation of the race is visibly approaching. I venture to say that among the eminent medical gentlemen of Wilmington there is no difference of opinion upon this point. The few young negro children to be seen in the town, even is a matter of common remark, bears no proportion to the number of deaths that the annihilation of the race is visibly approaching. I venture to say that among the eminent medical gentlemen of Wilmington there is no difference of opinion upon this point. 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information entirely reliable from many of the South reports the present crop of cotton less than has heretofore been supposed would be raised. The late Spring, an intensely dry Summer, the caterpillars, and lastly the rust, caused by the recent hot nights, have materially cut short the total amount produced. The two great cotton growing States of Mississippi and Texas will, in the very heart of the picking season, be engaged in a heated political contest. Every one knows the injury which will befall the planters from wanting labor to gather their crops, owing to the negroes being called off by politics at this critical juncture; and we do not think we can exaggerate the loss in these two States by putting it at less than fifteen or twenty per cent. In this State and South Carolina the crop has certainly been injured from twenty-five to thirty-three and perhaps forty per cent. We know of not a single county which will make a full crop. We have thus stated why the crop cannot be large. It has never been estimated at over three millions of bales. If it reach two million five hundred thousand, that will be the very outside figures. The planter should know what he can calculate on. He is the sufferer whenever there is a mistake for some months cotton has fluctuated in price in New York from 33 to 35 cents per pound. The factories both in England and this country have been running a short time for almost the whole of this period. Recently we have received vague reports from Egypt that the crop there is very fine. Similar ones come from India. The latter statement cannot compete with American cotton, but even if it did, we ought not to be blinded by these rumors, spread by speculators at home and abroad, for the plain purpose of reducing the price of our Southern cotton. The simple facts are that we can now command the markets. We say to our people to use their power. Our own merchants should now step boldly to the front and pay the planters what their crops are worth. It is unlike, due to themselves and to the planters. Why will they stand in their own right, and be parties to aiding distant capitalists to their own injury and that of their immediate friends and supporters? We trust that the planters may be in a condition to protect themselves; but the home merchants should do all that broad views of trade, liberality of spirit, and a desire to rebuild the agricultural interests of the South dictate and demand. Let the planter feel that he can find here a fair market, just and generous factors, and the exports of our own region will acquire that prominence to which their position entitle them, our planting interests will be improved and protected, and our own people will reap a fair portion of the fruit of their labor. We repeat, the cotton crop will not be over two million five hundred thousand bales—we ought to contrain the market, and our own merchants, and our own ports, should see that the planters do not fall victims to Northern and English speculators and manufacturers.

AT NEW ORLEANS is the headquarters of the Southern Historical Society, organized for the purpose of transmitting to posterity the truth relative to the action of the people of the South during the nationality of the Southern Confederacy. It is time that all interested in a faithful record of the facts should so dispose of their

The New York *Commercial Advertiser* on Wednesday has an article relative to the gold speculators which is entirely just. That paper says: "With no natural causes to produce the result gold has been selling of late at a steady advance. If due to the legitimate and permanent influence which affect commercial values and regulate the markets, coin would now have a downward tendency. The national credit is daily improving, the relation of currency to a just standard of appreciation gradually but surely adapting itself, a abundant harvest of most of the staples secured, the prosperity of the South is assuming an almost miraculous state, at the promise of a flourishing trade for the ensuing season is well-nigh certain; y gold, like a highwayman, stands on the Exchange with its prepotent demand for a fictitious premium which it forces with the impudence and brazen effrontery of a 'foot pad' from the pockets of a helpless public. The infamous system of gambling which goes by the name of 'locking money,' is too well known and has been too often described to need elaboration. It unites in its operations every element of atrocity and viciousness that characterizes usury and the speculations out of human wants. In its desperate hazard and reckless disregard of all principles of morality it makes an ordinary gambler white as

IT IS AN INDISPUTABLE FACT that the rapid settling up of the great Northwest has been due in an eminent degree to the influx of immigrants from Europe. A few years ago, where herds of buffalo roamed untrammelled, except by the fast disappearing Indian, now flourish thrifty settlements.

The fencing around the site of the new postoffice building at New York opposite the Astor House, was leased a few days since for two years for advertising purposes. The bids, over two hundred in number, ranged from \$300 to \$15,000. The successful competitor was regarded as having paid a price entirely too high and save him from loss. That this idea was mistaken one is evinced by the fact that Tuesday last Mr. Bonner paid \$500 for the privilege of its exclusive use a single day.

carried to the temporary dead house. Name and residence of the deceased were then announced to the surrounding crowd by Jas. George. Very rarely did a violent outbreak of feeling follow. The frier of the dead came forward, claimed the body, and it was removed. In some cases a wail of woman's anguish was heard, others a low cry of woe rippled thro' the crowd, but generally the dead were conveyed without audible sorrow and hurried away with decent ceremony. In every case a coffin was on hand, provided by Delaware, Lenawanna and Western Co.

against the Nebraska bill. In 1859 he was unanimously re-elected as United States Senator, and after the resignation of John C. Chase as Secretary of the Treasury he was appointed to and accepted that important position, but did not hold it long. He was then again elected by the Legislature of his State to the Senate. Mr. Fessenden held an exalted rank as a clear-headed and logical debater, and commanded the respect of his political opponents by his calm and partially liberal ideas and reasoning.

PEACH MANGOES.—We give below a recipe for making a nice pickle :

Take fresh, unbruised clingstones, and throw them into salt and water for twenty-four hours. Remove the stones with a fruit knife, and wash each part as clean. Making a stuffing of grapes, borersage, white mustard seed, mace, cloves, onion, pepper, nutmeg, and very little minced meat, mix all together, and make the stuffing stiff. Fill the cavities, plug the holes with a thread around the peaches, and drop them into cold vinegar. Some persons use freestone

On Sunday night an at-ray took place at the Morrisdale (Pennsylvania) campgrounds, during religious services, between a party of whites and blacks. The result of conflict was the mortal wounding of Charles Brown, who was shot by a white man named Samuel Gaston. Two white men named William Sheppard and William S. Anthony, and a negro named Henry White, were severely injured.

Gen. Wade Hampton has consented to deliver the opening address of the Georgia State fair at Macon, on the 16th of